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This link takes you to the proposed timetable for 2001 Census products and services.

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This soon to be released publication presents information on a variety of topics relating to the nature and content of the 2001 Census.

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The ABS Census, Demography, and Geography Branch has recently provided assistance to Papua New Guinea (PNG) in preparing for its next census to be held in July 2000.

Three ABS Central Office staff with census expertise, Anthony Davis, Paul Lowe and Andrew Lamb, have provided expert advice and assistance to the PNG National Statistical Office following a formal request made by the Government of PNG to AusAID in 1998.

Following this request, a small AusAID team was sent to assess the needs of the Government of PNG in coordinating and conducting its next census. This assessment was then used to prepare project specification documents, and ultimately determine the level of financial assistance provided by AusAID.

The ABS involvement to date has primarily been in the areas of mapping, form design, logistics, planning, training and project management - all of which take into account the unique nature of a project like the census.

The ABS' expertise in census taking has proved a valuable tool in working to overcome various challenges associated with census taking in PNG:

- the geography of the country includes some of the most inaccessible places in the world.
- transport is difficult - and at best often relies heavily on air, boat, and foot;
- voice communication in many areas is non-existent;
- most government controls and authority are divided into 20 provincial governments;
- field staff need to be aware of cultural sensitivities when collecting census data.

Despite these challenges, the PNG National Statistical Office remains dedicated to achieving the task with as high quality results as possible. With the continued involvement of the ABS and AusAid, the PNG National Statistical Office stands a good chance of achieving such results.

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The 2001 Census will offer the Australian people a choice of having their names, addresses and census form information retained by the National Archives of Australia and released for research purposes after 99 years. This was announced by Minister for Financial Services and Regulation, Joe Hockey, on 17 December 1999.

The Government's decision was welcomed jointly by Australian Statistician, Bill McLennan, and Director-General of the National Archives of Australia, George Nichols.

Mr Nichols said that the 2001 Census has great significance, being the first of the new millennium and will coincide with the Centenary of Federation. The Government's decision will mean that the census information which people have elected to have retained will be available to genealogists, social historians and other researchers in the 22nd Century.

Mr McLennan stated the census will continue to provide a detailed statistical picture of Australia which will be vital to informed decision making in the future.

Names, addresses and census information will only be retained for those householders who explicitly "opt-in". These details will be retained by the National Archives of Australia and released in 99 years.

"A primary role of the Archives is to retain valuable Commonwealth records in a safe and secure environment, so these census records are guaranteed to remain confidential for the next 100 years," Mr Nichols said.

The high levels of co-operation with past censuses indicate that Australian people have always viewed it as very important for shaping the future of their country.

Click here to access the media release on this announcement and other information related to the 2001 Census.

CDATA 'Hints and Tips' on the ABS web site

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CDATA96 has proven a very popular planning and analytical tool for many users. To better assist CDATA96 clients optimise the full potential of the product, a large number of informative hints and tips have been developed. Since the release of CDATA96 in late 1997, staff working on the Census Technical Helpline and in other client service areas have developed these hints based on users' requests and their own product knowledge.

The hints are intuitive in approach and combine step by step instructions with associated graphics. They range in complexity from simple installations to importing external spreadsheets and producing thematic maps.

To date, these hints have been distributed on request to selected users seeking feedback on content and intuitiveness, with favourable results.

Click here to access these hints are on the ABS web site. The currently available hints are hotlinked under the following headings:

- **Report**
- **Thematic**
- **Graph**
- **Dataview**
- **Map**
- **System Configuration**

As these hints have been specifically created for CData clients, feedback is actively sought from clients on their usefulness. This feedback can be sent by using the **Contact Us** button located on the Census entry page which allows you to easily email your comments. All comments will be assessed, evaluated and addressed where appropriate.

Census Data for our Schools

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By Fiona Shalley, National Education Services Unit, Melbourne

The main role of the ABS' National Educational Services Unit (NESU) is to promote greater understanding, knowledge and access to ABS statistics by teachers, librarians and students in the school sector. Based in the ABS' Victorian office, the NESU continuously explores new ways of distributing information to schools located throughout Australia in the most cost effective way.

STATPAK

STATPAK is a free catalogue of ABS publications and services selected to meet the ongoing needs of librarians and teachers. For the first time this year, **STATPAK** has been designed as an on-line service and is available via the Education Services pages on the ABS web site. **STATPAK ONLINE** includes a wide range of ABS statistics and education resources on many social, economic and environmental issues. Schools receive a special discount of 30% on most ABS publications and standard services as long as you attach your order form to your school purchase order.

If your school does not have access to the Internet, contact the NESU and a printed version of **STATPAK** will be posted to you.

Census KeyData Education Tool Kit

A useful classroom resource is the **Census Key Data Education Tool Kit** on CD-ROM, which can be obtained **free of charge** from any ABS Bookshop, or on request from the NESU. The **Tool Kit** contains all 32 Basic Community Profile (BCP) tables of census data at the Australian level for free, including age by sex, marital status, birthplace, language spoken at home, religion, education qualification and more. More data can also be accessed by purchasing a special decryption code.

Classroom activities

Classroom activities use data on the **Tool Kit** and provide teachers with lesson plans covering topics such as population trends, ageing and cultural diversity. The exercises and activities are aimed at students from upper primary to year 12 and have relevance to geography, mathematics, societal and environmental studies.

Specialised curriculum material has also been prepared by the NESU with input from secondary school teachers. Four spreadsheet exercises use the **Tool Kit** to introduce students to BCP data:

- how to find your way around a BCP;
- creating an age by sex table for Australia's youth population;
- producing an Australian map of visitor's usual residence on census night, by sex;
- producing a world map of the birthplace (countries) for all persons.

Click here to find the curriculum support material and spreadsheet exercises on the web.

Click here for the Education Services pages on the ABS web site which showcases ABS products, news and upcoming events, as well as relevant statistical material available on-line.

The NESU is always happy to talk directly with teachers and librarians about how ABS data can be used in the school curriculum. Ring the NESU on **1800 623 273** or Melbourne **(03) 9615 7041** for advice on information available to meet your school's needs.

Counting the Homeless

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There can be no meaningful public debate about the best policy responses to assist homeless people, unless there is reliable information on the number of homeless people in the community. To satisfy the need for information, the 1996 Census of Population and Housing targeted Australia's homeless population with a special enumeration strategy. Data from the 1996 Census, along with data from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, have contributed to the findings contained in the **Occasional Paper - Counting the Homeless** (ABS Cat. No. 2041.0).

The Paper includes:

- discussion on what is meant by 'homelessness';
- methodological issues;
- counts of both homeless people and homeless households;
- temporal characteristics of the homeless population;

- distribution of government funding for the homeless; and
- the geographical spread of the homeless population.

The Paper states approximately 70 per cent of homeless people had been without secure accommodation for six months or longer, including many who had been homeless for more than a year.

Editorial

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Over the coming year, more attention will be given in **Census Update** to developments pertaining to the 2001 Census. This will cover articles on a range of issues that relate to the collecting and processing of census data, through to those that impact on the subsequent design and delivery of products and services.

This issue includes information on the new questions being asked in 2001, news on the first major census field test as well as thoughts on the initial development of CDATA2001. There is also an article on a recent decision whereby people will be able to choose in the next census whether to have their census forms retained for 100 years.

To find out proposed release dates for 2001 Census products and services, check out the timetable that will be included in each issue and kept as up to date as possible.

A wealth of information on the census and the wider ABS can also be found on this site.

If there is a census topic you are interested in knowing more about, drop us a line at client.services@abs.gov.au, mentioning **Census Update** in the subject line. We're always interested in hearing from you.

2001 Census Major Test

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The major test for the upcoming 2001 Census was conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) late last year. It involved a total of 20,000 dwellings in the Sydney and Batemans Bay areas.

Census Test Processing Manager, Bruce Jamieson, explains, "the purpose of the test was to identify any problems with current collection methods and processing systems, and resolve these problems before the dress rehearsal."

According to the final report - presented to ABS senior management in early February 2000 - the overall performance of the major test proved the technical viability of all the operating systems and hardware. While bugs were identified, those affecting the major test operation were able to be corrected and tested between major test cycles. The test operation also provided a good learning exercise in the operation, integration and use of these systems. A

number of possible systems enhancements coming out of this process are also being investigated.

Looking forward, the 2001 Census dress rehearsal will be held later this year and will involve a total of 40,000 dwellings within the Melbourne area. As with all previous test areas, Melbourne has been selected because it is seen as being a fairly stable area. This stability allows for a more accurate comparison of the test data against previous census results - and ultimately produces a more accurate test result.

According to Bruce, the dress rehearsal is designed to test every system and procedure to be used in conducting the 2001 Census. In short, it's part of a continuous testing process in preparation for the next census.

The major difference between this series of tests and those for previous censuses is that this is the first time that Intelligent Character Recognition (ICR) has been used. This replaces Optical Mark Recognition (OMR), which was used in both the 1991 and 1996 Censuses. This change will ideally produce both faster and more accurate results.

Like the major test, processing of the dress rehearsal is being conducted in ABS' Central Office in Canberra.

For more information on 2001 Census developments, keep reading upcoming editions of **Census Update**, or check out the **ABS Census page** on this web site.

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CENSUS DATA PRODUCTS

First Release Basic Community Profile	July 2002
CDATA2001 Release 1 (Digital boundaries & map data, 1991 & 1996 Time Series data on 2001 boundaries and first release Basic Community Profile)	September 2002
CLIB2001 Release 1 (First release Basic Community Profile)	November 2002
Second Release Basic Community Profile	November 2002
Household Sample File	August 2003
CDATA2001 Release 2 (Second release Basic Community Profile & Time Series Profile)	June 2003

CLIB2001 Release 2 (Second release Basic Community Profile & Time Series Profile)	April 2003
Other Community Profiles	February - September 2003
National Selected Characteristics (first release) for SDs	July 2002
State/Territory Selected Characteristics for SLAs	August - September 2002
Selected Characteristics (second release) for SLAs	April 2003
Selected Characteristics for Urban Centres/Localities	January 2003
Social Atlases	November 2002 - April 2003
SEIFA2001	October 2003

CENSUS CUSTOMISED DATA SERVICES

Advance ordering service	Order from November 2001
Customised table service	July 2002

CENSUS REFERENCE PRODUCTS

Census Dictionary	April 2001
Directory of Census Statistics	April 2002
Digital boundaries	Progressively from late 2001
Other geographic reference data	Late 2001
Census CD maps	Mid 2001
Census SLA maps	Late 2001

Census edition of Australian Standard Geographic Classification (ASGC)	Late 2001
Non-ASGC Census geography	Mid 2002
Urban Centres and Localities	Late 2002

2001 Census of Population and Housing: Nature and Content

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2001 Census of Population and Housing: Nature and Content (cat. no. 2008.0) presents information on a variety of topics relating to the nature and content of the 2001 Census. It provides a useful insight into the types of questions that will be included in the census, the procedures that will be used to collect this data, and the rationale behind these decisions. As well as describing the processing and release of 2001 Census data, the paper lists the topics that will be included.

These procedures and topics have been determined after the receipt of over 130 written submissions, a range of consultations with key users and an evaluation of the data and processes used in the 1996 Census.

The following topics are discussed in the paper:

- confidentiality and privacy;
- collection operations;
- processing;
- results/output;
- personal topics to be included in the 2001 Census - such as name, age and sex, religion, and occupation;
- household and dwelling topics included in the 2001 Census (e.g. location of private dwelling);
- subjects which are being excluded from the 2001 Census.

Since the 1996 Census there have been a number of changes including:

- the introduction of an ancestry question;
- a question on the use of personal computers and one on the use of the Internet;
- modifications to the education and qualification questions; and
- revised approaches to the collection and coding of industry and transport related questions.

The paper explains that topics selected for the census must have specific purposes which are of national importance and that there must be a demonstrated need for the census data for policy development, planning and program monitoring.

The 2001 Census coincides with the Centenary of Federation. Results from this Census will provide an important national resource both for contemporary planners as well as those seeking to understand how Australia has changed since Federation.

The paper will be released following the introduction into Parliament of the Census Amendment Regulations. [**Click here**](#) to order your copy.

Released Census Information

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Census Publications and Products Price List	Cat. No.
Publications Now Available	
1996 Directory of Census Statistics	2910.0
1996 Census Dictionary	2910.0
How Australia Takes a Census	2903.0
Counts by Age and Sex for Selected Areas - Northern Territory	2018.7
Population Growth and Distribution, Australia, 1996	2035.0
Population Projections, Australia, 1997 to 2051	3222.0
Information Paper: Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas	2039.0
Australia in Profile: A Regional Analysis	2032.0
Australian Indigenous Geographical Classification on CD-ROM	4706.0.30.001

Year Book Australia 2000	1301.0
Year Book Australia 2000 on CD-ROM	1301.0.30.001
Occasional Paper - Counting the Homeless	2041.0
Information Paper: 2001 Census of Population and Housing: Nature and Content (soon to be released)	2008.0

Statistical Geography

Australian Standard Geographical Classification Vol.1	1216.0
Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) Urban Centres/Localities	2909.0

Social and Housing Characteristics for Statistical Local Areas Series

National	2015.0
NSW	2015.1
Vic	2015.2
Qld	2015.3
SA	2015.4
WA, Cocos (Keeling) & Christmas Island	2015.5
Tas	2015.6
NT	2015.7
ACT	2015.8

Social Atlas Series

Complete set of Atlases	2030.0
Sydney	2030.1
Melbourne	2030.2
Brisbane	2030.3
Adelaide	2030.4
Perth	2030.5
Hobart	2030.6
Darwin	2030.7
Canberra	2030.8

Characteristics for Urban Centres and Localities Series

National	2016.0
NSW and ACT	2016.1
Vic	2016.2
Qld	2016.3
SA	2016.4
WA	2016.5

Family and Labour Force Characteristics for Statistical Local Areas Series

National	2017.0
NSW and Jervis Bay	2017.1
Vic	2017.2
Qld	2017.3
SA	2017.4
WA, Cocos (Keeling) & Christmas Island	2017.5

Tas	2016.6	Tas	2017.6
NT	2016.7	NT	2017.7
		ACT	2017.8

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People Series

Australia	2034.0
New South Wales	2034.1
Victoria	2034.2
Queensland	2034.3
South Australia	2034.4
Western Australia	2034.5
Tasmania	2034.6
Northern Territory	2034.7
Australian Capital Territory	2034.8

Proposed CDATA 2001 products

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In September the ABS issued the **Information Paper: 2001 Census of Population and Housing - ABS Views on Census Output Strategy** (ABS Cat. No. 2009.0), seeking client views on proposed census strategies for the 2001 Census through a questionnaire. Subsequently, in October 1999 the Population Census Processing and User Services Section within the ABS ran user consultation workshops in each capital city seeking similar information from major clients. Preliminary analysis of feedback from both the workshops and responses to the questionnaire has identified a need for the census program to investigate the feasibility of producing two CDATA2001 products, one with full GIS functionality (as per CDATA96) and one with less functionality.

Our initial thoughts, again based on clients' feedback, are to have one CDATA2001 product that has two different levels of access. This will allow clients access, through the use of unlock codes, to whichever of the two levels of accessibility they have purchased.

To help differentiate the two access paths we have allocated the names CDATA2001-Full GIS and CDATA2001-Quickbuild.

CDATA2001-Full GIS

This product will offer similar functionality to that of CDATA96 including:

- full SQL functionality;
- full spatial analysis of data;

- import of external datasets; and
- use of detailed geographic information from Public Sector Mapping Authority (PSMA) where required.

CDA2001-Quickbuild

As the name suggests, this product will provide functionality very similar to that available through the Quickbuild interface used in CDA96. It will allow users who do not require GIS capability the ability to quickly select the geography and data they need to produce a report, thematic, graph, dataview or map.

- On accessing the software through the entry page clients will see that the more complex GIS functionality is greyed-out or non-accessible. This, we believe, should make the process of selecting geography and data less confusing.
- The normal functions of saving, printing and exporting data will be available.
- There will be no facility for importing external data as the SQL functionality is non-accessible.
- Basic topographic base map data (from PSMA) will be available.
- The product will also offer an up-grade facility/path which allows clients to use the GIS functionality of the product by purchasing an unlock code/key.

We will be finalising the 2001 Census Output Strategy in June 2000; details will be described in **Information Paper: Census of Population and Housing - Proposed Products and Services** (ABS Cat. No. 2011.0), which will be released in July 2000. They will also be covered in the September 2000 edition of **Census Update**. This will be followed by another round of state user consultation workshops, planned to run from mid-August through early September 2000.

"Please note that the ABS will also be producing a range of census products to suit the needs of other clients. Details of the full range of products will be available, as scheduled, in July 2000."

A snapshot of our Olympic city - Sydney... A Social Atlas

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Do you know:

- which areas of Sydney have the highest percentages of people born overseas?
- where the greatest population growth in Sydney is occurring?
- where people who rent in Sydney live?

The Sydney Social Atlas provides you with valuable information and maps on these and other key social, demographic and housing characteristics.

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The **Social Atlas** series covers all the capital cities of Australia, so you too can own an **Atlas** that highlights the make up of your community.

For further information on Sydney - our Olympic city - check out the following special articles in Australia Now: **Climate of Sydney: the Olympic City** and **Stadium Australia**

The Thematic Profile - commonly asked questions

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What is the Thematic Profile Service?

The Thematic Profile Service is designed to provide more census data on specific community groups than can be found in the standard Community Profiles. This service presents tables on the population themes of family, youth, older persons and ethnicity. The tables enable a greater understanding of each group's characteristics on topics such as education, income, employment, housing and mobility.

For what geographic areas can I obtain Thematic Profile tables?

Data from all Thematic Profile tables can be provided for any standard geographic areas from Collection District level or aggregations of Collection Districts. This includes Australian Standard Geographic Classification areas, Census Geographic areas and areas customised by users to meet requirements.

How can the Thematic Profiles assist me?

Two examples of the type of data included within the tables are shown below.

The Older People Profile

By obtaining information about the characteristics of older people in an area, a local health assistance group can target potentially 'at risk' audiences with education and service programs where they are most needed. They can also look, for instance, at where there are high proportions of elderly people with limited English language skills and then better plan for the provision of interpreted material in different languages.

The Ethnicity Profile

A convenience store may be considering expanding its product range to target the needs of a diverse local community. By analysing information contained in the tables, such as high proportions of persons born overseas and their year of arrival, the store might introduce an appropriate range of foodstuffs and hence positively influence revenue. Prospective retailers could also use similar information to target an area suitable for the establishment of a niche business catering to people of a specific ethnic background.

What will the Thematic Profiles cost?

A complete set of tables for a Thematic Profile for any given area can cost as little as \$176 (although cost depends on the particular Profile chosen). The detailed information on specific community groups contained within the Profiles represents extraordinary value when considering their potential applications.

To order your Thematic Profiles, contact an ABS Information Consultant in your nearest state office. **[Click here for contact details.](#)**

Year Book Australia 2000

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Now in its 93rd edition, the **Year Book Australia 2000** is a comprehensive statistical overview of Australia and its peoples at the turn of the century.

Compiled using the experience and full resources of the national statistical agency, Year Book Australia 2000 provides you with a definitive reference embracing Australia's international and government policies and highlighting our cultural, industrial and economic place in the world.

Released in time to commemorate Australia Day - the Year Book Australia 2000 is beautifully bound and contains over 800 pages of timely, accurate and reliable information. It:

- is an ideal reference partner to assist with your research and/or teaching needs
- provides comprehensive information for that school debate or university project
- states the facts to help you make informed decisions.

Statistical data is presented in easy to understand tables, maps and graphs with explanatory notes to help you turn information into knowledge you can use.

The Year Book Australia 2000 features a number of special articles focusing on a range of contemporary issues including the education and training of the workforce, the effect of technology in schools, the size and impact of the gambling industry and the future of housing support for the aged. The Year Book Australia 2000 also anticipates the excitement of the Sydney Olympics, recording the completion of Stadium Australia and a preview of the climate conditions expected for the duration of the Games.

Other topics of interest include:

- population
- health
- education

- geography
- culture and recreation
- forestry and fishing.

For those who prefer to access their information electronically, **Year Book Australia 2000** on CD-ROM features:

- electronic searching and bookmarking
- extra pictorial material not included in the hard copy
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- installation for both Apple and IBM compatible computers.

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Since early 1999, the ABS' Census Program has undertaken a large and intensive consultation with its clients in preparation for the next census in August 2001. During this time, reactions to the 1996 Census Output Program have been sought, as well as people's views on proposed strategies and directions for the 2001 Census Output Program.

Conducted over three phases, the second phase of this consultation has recently been completed. This phase involved the release of an **Information Paper: 2001 Census of Population and Housing: ABS Views on Census Output Strategy** (ABS Cat. No. 2009.0) and an accompanying questionnaire. Both were distributed to all **Census Update** readers in early October 1999 with the questionnaire also available electronically via the ABS web site for the first time.

Selected clients were also involved in more detailed consultations, conducted around Australia by census staff during October 1999.

Preliminary findings

Although more detailed findings will be available to census clients shortly, some of the preliminary issues emerging from this stage of research are noted below. All issues raised in the consultation and survey are being considered in the planning of 2001 Census products and services.

- There appears to be continued client support for CDATE with full Geographic Information System, as well as a CDATE product with reduced/simplified functionality. Support was also received for a 'data only' CD-ROM for those who do not need the CDATE functionality. (See the article on page x for more detail of the initial thoughts for CDATE2001.)
- Clients strongly support all aspects of the proposed Internet strategy, especially being able to access more data via this medium.
- Clients were in favour of using the ABS web site, e-mail and CD-ROM as the main methods of delivering products and services from the 2001 Census.
- Timing and pricing continue to be seen as important issues by clients.

The ABS would like to thank all those who recently participated in both exercises. Your comments and suggestions have been invaluable, and will enable the ABS to better meet your needs in the future.

Where to from here?

Based on the results of the questionnaire and consultations, the ABS is now developing specific proposals for the 2001 Census Output Program, including the development of prototypes for 2001 Census products and services. These prototypes will be circulated for comment to all **Census Update** readers in July 2000.

The consultative process will be much the same as that used for the recent **ABS Views on Census Output Strategy** consultation. In July we will release an **Information Paper: 2001 Census of Population and Housing: Proposed Products and Services** (ABS Cat. No. 2011.0) and supplement containing information about the classifications to be used for the 2001 Census and content of the proposed publications. A questionnaire will be sent, along with the paper and supplement, to all **Census Update** readers, seeking users' views on the planned products and services. This will be followed by a round of face to face consultations with selected census clients in capital cities.

The questionnaire will also be available on-line from the ABS web site.

So watch your mailbox and plan to give us your thoughts.

Other 2001 Census news

For the first time, the 2001 Census will include a question on the use of personal computers and a question on the use of the Internet. Commonwealth and State government bodies plan to use this information, at small geographic area level and for small population groups, in order to target a range of policies and programs. The responses to these questions can be cross-classified with demographic data (such as age, sex, locality, qualifications and employment details) to provide information to both public and private sector agencies on the use of these technological innovations by various segments of the population.

About this Release

A periodic newsletter to keep clients informed of developments in Census products and services. Highlights recent and forthcoming releases, provides comments on census data and advises of user forums.

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